

CHAPTER NO. 26

HOUSE BILL NO. 1315

By Representative Brenda Turner

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1500

By Senator Crowe

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-5-511, relative to criminal information required of persons having access to children.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-5-511(a)(2), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(2) Such persons also shall submit to a criminal history records check to be conducted through the Tennessee bureau of investigation, shall supply fingerprint samples to the Tennessee bureau of investigation and the federal bureau of investigation and shall submit to a review of such person's status on the department of health's vulnerable persons registry under title 68, chapter 11, part 10;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-5-511(b)(2), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(2) If information obtained by this method indicates that there exists or may exist a criminal record on the individual, the department shall further review the criminal record history with the individual and the entity with whom the individual is associated to obtain further verification, and the department shall request fingerprint samples from the individual and submit the fingerprints for a complete Tennessee and federal criminal history background review pursuant to § 38-6-109. The department shall pay the costs of such fingerprint background checks pursuant to §§ 38-6-103 and 38-6-109.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect on July 1, 2003, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: March 31, 2003



JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



JOHN S. WILDER
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APPROVED this 11th day of April 2003



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